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MEMORANDUM

TO: Colorado Institution of Higher Education Academic Community

FROM: Colorado Department of Higher Education

DATE: August 17, 2011

SUBJECT: Proposed Fee Structure for Initial Review of gtPathways Courses for Nonpublic Institutions of Higher Education

Pursuant to S.B. 10-108, the Department of Higher Education is directed accept general education courses from nonpublic institutions of higher education for review and consideration for inclusion in the state gtPathways curriculum. S.B. 10-108 states,

The nonpublic institution of higher education shall submit to the department a description of its core course requirements with the initial review fee...and the department shall determine whether the nonpublic institution's core course requirements comply with the department's general education course guidelines [§23-1-125(5)(a)(II) C.R.S.]...The department may assess a fee...to offset the costs of the annual review [§23-1-125(5)(b) C.R.S.]... The commission, in consultation with the department, shall establish the amounts of the initial review fee and the annual review fee of a nonpublic institution of higher education's general education core course requirements and core courses, which amounts shall not exceed the direct and indirect costs incurred by the department in initially reviewing and in annually reviewing the nonpublic institution's general education core course requirements and core courses. The department is authorized to collect the fees from nonpublic institutions of higher education [§23-1-125(5)(c) C.R.S.]

The proposed fee structure for initial review is as follows:

Cost per Review Cycle (to be figured proportionally to # of courses submitted by each IHE). This may increase if more than 15 courses in total are submitted for review.	\$6,000
Cost per First Course in a Discipline. If multiple institutions submit a course in the same discipline area, the difference between “First Course” and “Cost per Each Additional Course” will be split between those institutions.	\$680.00
Cost per Each Additional Course in a Discipline.	\$355.00

The department reserves the right to adjust this fee structure based on changes incurred in actual costs for the implementation of SB 10-108. The department may refund the nonpublic institution after a review if it is determined that the institution was overcharged.

If you have any questions or would like a more detailed explanation of the fee structure, please contact Dr. Ian K. Macgillivray, Assistant Deputy Director for Academic Affairs at ian.macgillivray@dhe.state.co.us or 303-866-3846.